FISCAL NOTE

HB 611 - SB 1263

March 7, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Adds fees for field trips and other off-campus enrichment opportunities to the list of activities for which fees are waived for students who receive free or reduced price school lunches.

Current law requires local education agencies to establish a process by which to waive the following school fees for students who receive free and reduced price school lunches:

- Fees for activities that occur during regular school hours;
- Fees for activities and supplies required to participate in all courses offered for credit or grade;
- Fees or tuition applicable to courses taken during the summer by a student; except that nonresident students regularly enrolled in another school system may be required to pay fees or tuition for such summer courses; and
- Fees required for graduation ceremonies.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumes that many school systems already give fee waivers for field trips, and many do not charge fees at all.

For those school systems not currently providing fee waivers for field trips, they would be required to do so under the provisions of the bill. To the extent these school systems do not reduce the number or expense of their field trips, local government expenditures are estimated to increase. However, such increase is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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